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TREASURY - MCHAVES

USDA - RMCDONNELL

STR - BSTEINBOCK

EUR/RPE - RBRESLER

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD, EEC, GATT, RO

SUBJECT: GATT AND ROMANIAN TARIFF

REFTEL: GENEVA 9143

1. A SECOND MEETING OF THE GATT WORKING PARTY ON THE

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ROMANIAN TARIFF NOW APPEARS LIKELY EARLY NEXT YEAR. GOR

WILL PROBABLY PRESS FOR FORMULATION IN WP REPORT CONCERNING  
EFFECTIVENESS OF ITS TARIFF.

2. GOR'S POSITION IN WP IS SUMMED UP IN SPEC (75) 2, PARA.

50, WHICH STATES IN PART GOR'S VIEW THAT TARIFF "EFFECTIVELY  
ENSURED THAT IMPORT PRICES WERE REPRESENTED IN THE DOMESTIC  
PRICES OF IMPORTED PRODUCTS AND IN THE BENEFITS OF THE  
IMPORTING AND PRODUCING ENTERPRISES, THUS BEING THE CON-  
TROLLING FACTOR IN ASSESSING THE COMPETITION BETWEEN IM-  
PORTS AND DOMESTICALLY-MADE PRODUCTS AND, AS SUCH,  
REPRESENTING ONE OF THE DECISIVE ELEMENTS IN THE ELABORA-  
TION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF IMPORT AND PRODUCTION PLANS AND  
PROGRAMS BY ALL ECONOMIC UNITS AND AT ALL OTHER LEVELS."

3. WE ARE VERY DOUBTFUL THAT ROMANIAN TARIFF IS A MAJOR  
DETERMINANT IN SOURCING IMPORTS FOR REASONS GIVEN IN  
EARLIER MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT INCLUDING BUCHAREST'S  
VERY HELPFUL 500, 2/7/74. MOREOVER, THE LACK OF OPENLY  
AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND THE DEGREE OF GOVERNMENTAL CONTROL

INDICATE THAT THERE IS LITTLE ASSURANCE THAT POLICY  
CHANGES WOULD NOT REDUCE WHATEVER EFFECTIVENESS THE TARIFF  
MAY HAVE.

4. AN ANALYSIS BY THE EMBASSY OF THE ROLE OF THE  
ROMANIAN TARIFF IN LIGHT OF ISSUES RAISED IN GATT WP WOULD

BE MOST USEFUL. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY GOVERNMENTAL,  
PARTY, OR ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS BEARING ON THIS SUBJECT.

5. GATT WP DOCUMENTS AND INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF ARTICLE  
BY TUDORAN FROM MAY 9 REVISTA ECONOMICA BEING POUCHEO.

6. PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPEAT ALL MESSAGES ON THIS SUB-  
JECT TO WARSAW. INGERSOLL

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